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Application of: Ruckmann et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application, prior to examination on the merits, as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the specification of this application, as presented in the verified translation of the German language text of PCT/DE00/00849, filed March 18, 2000; published as WO 00/56646 on September 28, 2000 and claiming priority to DE 19912290.3 filed March 19, 1999 and to DE 19950942.5, filed October 22, 1999, the verified translation having been filed on January 7, 2002. Please replace the now cancelled specification with the accompanying Substitute Specification. A marked-up